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SUBJ: REQUEST FOR REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE DISCHARGE OF
WASTES (HUMAN AND OTHER) FROM RAILROAD CONVEYANCES

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1. QUESTIONS CONTAINED REFTEL WERE DISCUSSED WITH DIRECTORATE
GENERAL FOR RAILWAYS OFFICIAL PROF. CAMPOSANO MARCH 10.
CAMPOSANO SAID THAT ITALY FOLLOWS UNION INTERNATIONAL DES
CHEMINS-DE-FER (UIC) REGULATIONS RE WASTE DISCHARGE FROM
RAILROAD CARS. KEYED TO QUESTIONS RAISED REFTEL:

(A) REGULATIONS, POSTED WHERE APPROPRIATE, ADMONISH PASSENGERS
AGAINST USING TOILETS WHEN TRAINS ARE STOPPED AT STATIONS AND
AGAINST THROWING MATERIAL FROM RAILWAY CARS. WASTES, OTHER
THAN HUMAN, ARE COLLECTED AT TERMINALS. INFRACTIONS OF THESE
REGULATIONS ARE PUNISHED BY FINES;

(B) UIC RESEARCH OFFICE, UTRECHT, IS CURRENTLY STUDYING THE
POSSIBILITY OF FITTING RAILWAY CARS WITH TANKS TO HOLD
BIOLOGICAL WASTES. HOWEVER, ACCORDING TO CAMPOSANO, THIS
PROJECT IS STILL IN THE VERY BEGINNING STAGE AND NO DATE
HAS BEEN SET FOR ADOPTION. THUS FAR, EUROPEAN RAILWAYS DO NOT
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FEEL A STRONG NEED FOR SUCH MEASURES;

(C) THUS FAR, NO PUBLIC HEALTH PROBLEM HAS RESULTED FROM
THE OPEN DISCHARGE OF WASTES. EVEN DURING CHOLERA EPIDEMICS,
HUMAN WASTES WERE FOUND TO BE BIOLOGICAL INACTIVE AFTER A FEW
MINUTES EXPOSURE TO SUN OR COLD. A PROPOSAL, CURRENTLY
UNDER STUDY, IS THAT LIQUIDS USED FOR THE CLEANING OF

RAILWAY CARS IN TERMINALS SHOULD BE DISPOSED OF THROUGH PROPER
SEWAGE COLLECTORS RATHER THAN BEING DISPOSED OF IN THE OPEN.

2. EMBASSY BELIEVES THAT ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION COULD
BEST BE OBTAINED FROM UIC.BEAUDRY

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